

Welcome to Worship with Ebenezer Presbyterian Church
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Welcome and Announcements
Prelude

“Prayer for Peace”

Curtis

Gathering to Worship

Call to Worship Psalm 147

It is good to sing praises to our God; for he is gracious, and a song of praise is seemly.
The Lord builds up Jerusalem, he heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.
He determines the number of the stars, he gives to all of them their names.
Great is our Lord, and abundant in power. His understanding is beyond measure.
Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God upon the organ.

Hymn of Gathering #598 “Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken” verses 1, 3

Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God;
He whose word cannot be broken formed you for his own abode,
On the Rock of Agers founded, what can shake your sure repose?
With salvation’s walls surrounded, you may smile at all your foes.

Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear,
For a glory and a covering, showing that the Lord is near!
Thus deriving from their banner light by night and shade by day,
Safe they feed upon the manna which God gives them on their way.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, for the times when jealousy and envy control our thinking and overpower our love, forgive us. If there is fear or insecurities at the root of our jealousies, forgive us and remind us of your power to love that overcomes fear. If there are times when we are not jealous of your truth and water down the gospel of truth for the sake of a false unity, forgive us. *Silent prayers of confession.*

Assurance of Pardon

Receiving the Word

Message for Youth

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading Genesis 48: 8-14, 17-20

Epistle Reading Galatians 3:28-29

Gospel Reading Mark 10:35-37, 41-44

Sermon **Struggling for Power and Struggling for Peace**

Rev. David Greene

Hymn of Reflection #600 **“In Christ There Is No East or West”** verses 1, 2, 5

In Christ there is no east or west, in him no pride of birth;
The chosen family God has blessed now spans the whole wide earth.

For God in Christ has made us one from every land and race;
Has reconciled us through his Son and met us all with grace.

In Christ there is no east or west—he breaks all barriers down;
By Christ redeemed, by Christ possessed, in Christ we live as one.

Responding to the Word

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and Earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit; born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into Hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Prayer of Intercession (*Offering prayers for the church, nations, community, and loved ones*)

Individual Prayers of Intercession

The Lord’s Prayer

Offering and Offering Prayer

Sending the Disciples Out into the World

Closing Hymn #604 **“Great God, As from This Gathering”** verses 3,4

Great God of many gatherings, you make your people one;
From different backgrounds, ways and lives, our journeys have begun.

Great God, as from this gathering we go our separate ways,
We’re joined by you, we go as one, to travel all our days

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

“The Bond of Love”

Skillings

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PRAYER CONCERNS

**Sue Parrish (knee surgery), Margaret Pope (is home now), The Family of Barry Norris (Polly Stewart’s brother), Clara Barbour, The PNC members, Jimmy & Carol Byrd, Clover Clemmons (infant) Rebecca & Mickey (mom & dad) (Kevin Nelson’s great-niece born at 30 weeks and in NICU), McKinzie King (heart procedure recovery), Ricky Downing (heart catherization recovery), John & Kathi Ennis and Sheila Campbell, JoAnne Turlington, Gary Brown, Doris and John Nolan, Angie Stewart, Clara Wood, Baby Sadie Hurlocker, Sky & Malena McCallister, Terry Parker, Jude Lauder, Wyatt James (4 year old great nephew of Penny Lee -battling leukemia), Christopher Grunewald (Lec’s grandson), Tommy & Judy Ennis, Barbara Denning, Stacey & Betty Johnson, Ed Parker, Betty McLaine, Kay & Kenneth Ennis, Connie Humphries, Cindy Johnson, Kaylan King, Jonathan Langston, Jr., Morgan McMurtry, Kimberly Pope, Steve Quade, Jaylen Stanley, Ellen Whittington
Military: Reid West, Michael Justin Dunn, Michael Dials & Fred Adams**

Standing Ministries and Chairs

**Trustees.....Doris Nolan, Tommy Ennis, H.L. Sorrell
WorshipHilda Bailey
Mission.....Christy Stephenson
Nurture.....Gail Stephenson
Stewardship & Christian EducationLori Downing
Building/Grounds.....Zachary Stewart & Stewart Akerman
Cemetery.....Stewart Akerman
Director of Music.....Hilda Bailey**

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